

# February 2023 Newsletter

## News from the Municipality of Markstay-Warren



*The Monthly*  
Northern Roundup



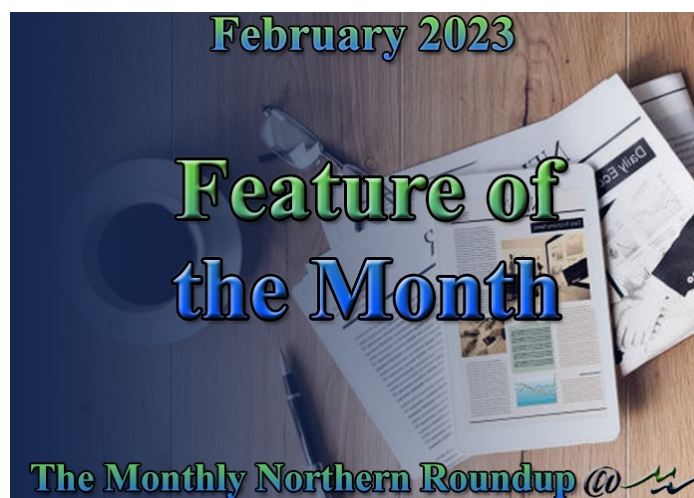
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# Feature of the Month - February 2023

## Newsletter Information

There is currently 350 copies of the newsletter that has been distributed to 8 locations in the Markstay-Warren community. The amount per location is a trial run for 3 months and some locations may see reduction or increases in newsletter amounts after the trial run. The following is the amount of newsletters per area:

Bertrand Store	30
Markstay Library	75
Warren Library	75
Health Unit	40
Rustic Café	30
Kukagami Jack	30
Hagar General Store	40
St-Charles Foodtown	30



The deadline for March's edition of the newsletter is Wednesday, February 15th.

## CALL FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS!

The Municipality of Markstay-Warren is seeking applications for the following committees:

**Landfill Advisory Committee**  
**Economic Development Committee**  
**Recreation and Health Services Committee**  
**Asset Management Advisory Committee**  
**Property Standards Appeal Committee**

Further information regarding these committees can be found in the Terms of Reference located on the municipal website [here](#).

If you have additional questions, you can email the municipal office at [info@markstay-warren.ca](mailto:info@markstay-warren.ca) or call 705-853-4536 ext. 200.

To express your interest please send a letter expressing the desired committee and your credentials. Resumes would be helpful to include as well. Send this information to Rheal Forgette - CAO/Clerk at [rforgette@markstay-warren.ca](mailto:rforgette@markstay-warren.ca).

We thank you in advance for your consideration.

## Birthday and Thank You's

### **Thank you from the Markstay Golden Age Club**

The Markstay Golden Age Club would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone that came out to our Christmas Bazaar! Looking forward to seeing all of you at our Family Fun Day in May!

Le Club d'Age d'Or de Markstay aimerait dire un gros MERCI à tous les gens qui ont participé à notre Bazar de Noël! Au plaisir de vous voir à notre Journée d'amusement en famille au mois de mai!

### **Birthdays in February 2023**

If you have someone you want to wish a Happy Birthday, please send an email to [cdc@markstay-warren.ca](mailto:cdc@markstay-warren.ca) with



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## Treasurer's Message

### Water and Sewer Charges in January 2023

All January 2023 Pre-Authorized Payments (PAP) were not adjusted in time for the January payment date. The amounts were still set on last year's amounts (higher amounts due to increase in water charges). All utilities adjustment were corrected on January 23rd & 24th in our system. The February payment will reflect the normal withdrawal amount. Any adjustments to your account will be adjusted in the November 2023 payment.

### Dog License and Animal Control

The annual dog tags (license) are available at the Municipal Office during regular business hours. The annual fee for dog tags is defined in our By-Law 2020-06 - Service Charges and Fees - Schedule "E", which can be viewed by clicking [here](#).



## Fire Chief Mark Whynott's Message

If you would like to become a volunteer firefighter, or have questions for our current firefighters, please contact Fire Chief Mark Whynott at 705-853-4536 ext. 210 or by email [mwhynott@markstay-warren.ca](mailto:mwhynott@markstay-warren.ca).

## Landfill Fees Changes

For more information on getting your Landfill Site Pass, [click here](#).

The amendments to Schedule G (Environment services) can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

## Regular Council Meeting

The regular Council Meeting will be on Monday, February 21st, 2023, 7:00 pm, at the Municipal Council Chambers in Markstay. You are always welcome to come out and join us. These meetings are open to the public.

## More interesting information from our Library

The Markstay-Warren Public Library now has a new database called "Mango" where you can choose from over 70 different languages to learn, at your own pace!

Did you know that 36% of the community are active members at the library between both branches? There's also been over 7,200~ books taken out by our patrons between January and October.



# How did Markstay get its name? By Jill D'Amour

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Two stories can be told on how Markstay was named Markstay. One story is the potential truth due to being more realistic with the facts, and the second is more based on a myth. Both are entertaining.

## **The First Story, Potential Truth**

Markstay may have been named after a village in England known as Marks Tey.

Marks Tey is located North-East of London. The railway connects Marks Tey to the other towns and villages nearby such as Sudbury England and Chelmsford England.

Although I don't believe there's anything official stating that this is how the name came to be. I may be wrong on this information, however these facts make it reasonable to assume this is where the name came from.

## **The Second Story, the Myth**

There is a different story or legend if you will, that is much more enchanting.

This story is set in the late 1800's and takes place in a new settlement carved out of the wilderness along the CP rail. Somewhere in between Sudbury and Sturgeon falls, as legend would have it.

A young man named Mark was waiting for the train. He was accompanied by his sweetheart who was there to see him off to his next job site. As the train approached, Mark leaned in to kiss her goodbye but she rejected his kiss, as she was heartbroken. She pleaded with him to stay.

"Mark, stay!" She cried out.

Mark's friends who were on the train heard her cries and when Mark finally boarded the train, they relentlessly teased him about it. Every time thereafter, when the train would stop at the exact station, they would sarcastically chant, "Mark stay! Mark stay!" The stop would eventually be known as Markstay.

Written by Jill D'Amour





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